

WESTERLY

The case of Myron Plympton against Dr. J. De Vera Barter in which the plaintiff sought to recover damages of \$15,000, has been pending in the courts several months. Attorney Clarence E. Roche is counsel for plaintiff and Judge Herbert W. Rathbun for defendant. Several decisions have been given on points of law in the case raised by the attorneys and they have all been in favor of the plaintiff.

The latest decision is on demurrer to the amended declaration, by Judge Geo. T. Brown of the superior court, in which the judge says:

"This action is brought under the provisions of Chapter 153, Section 14 of the General Laws, 1909, by Myron Plympton, one of the beneficiaries of the estate of the deceased, against the executor or administrator having been appointed to recover damages for the death of his wife, Ida E. Plympton. The plaintiff alleges that on the 10th day of May, 1919, the defendant was a licensed practicing physician and surgeon in Rhode Island practicing principally in Westerly and vicinity; that he was then and there employed, and hired to treat and render medical aid and services to said deceased, Ida E. Plympton, who had on the 27th day of April, 1919, given birth to a child, and who was then and there sick, ailing and disordered and whose condition was such that said deceased needed treatment and attention; and that said treatment and attention was then and there necessary to preserve her life; and the said defendant undertook to treat and render medical aid and services to said deceased. The plaintiff further avers that on the 10th day of May, 1919, the defendant was negligent in his duties in the said premises."

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and well knowing the physical condition of said deceased, Ida E. Plympton, well knowing said deceased needed said attention and treatment; and well knowing said attention and treatment was then and there necessary to save said deceased's life, wholly neglected and failed to render said deceased any treatment and aid on such day between the hours of 10 o'clock a. m. and 9 o'clock p. m. and that by reason of said neglect and failure to render said treatment and aid, said deceased died on the 11th day of May, 1919.

The allegation is that the defendant, between the hours of 10 o'clock a. m. and 9 o'clock p. m. on the 10th day of May, 1919, neglected and failed to render said deceased any treatment, by reason whereof she died, etc.

"To state a case, the plaintiff must show that the defendant neglected some duty which he owed to the deceased by reason of his employment as her physician. He owed no such duty until he was employed to serve her. There is no allegation that the defendant's employment covered any part of the time between 10 o'clock a. m. and 9 o'clock p. m. May 10, 1919, although it is alleged he was employed on that day. Every allegation in the declaration may be true and the defendant guilty of no neglect of duty toward the deceased. As the neglect of duty is alleged to have occurred between the hours of 10 o'clock a. m. and 9 o'clock p. m. on the 10th day of May, 1919, the neglect alleged is not the neglect of duty in the absence of such allegations no breach of duty is alleged. The declaration does not state a case. The demurrer is sustained.

Basel Boles Wood, librarian of the Westerly Memorial and Library association, attended for the first time a meeting of the Rhode Island Library association Monday at the Rhode Island School of Education. Walter E. Ranger, commissioner of school gave the address of welcome and President William D. Goddard presided. Letter of regret were read from John R. Rathbun, editor of the Providence Journal and Chester W. Barrows, judge of the superior court, who had been invited to speak, but was unable to be present. In his address:

Committee: Miss Bertha H. Lyman, other states claim great things in library work he found that, in point of books in circulation and in point of service, Rhode Island is doing better than any other part of the country.

President Goddard urged that every center which could minister to the needs of the communities which cannot afford better library facilities than they now enjoy.

J. Randolph Coolidge of Boston, emphasized the present program, which aims at bringing everybody in need of books within reach of those books.

The membership of the association has been increased 42 per cent. during the past year, representing 82 new members. Officers were elected as follows: Wil-

liam D. Goddard, Pawtucket, president; George L. Hinkley, Newport, first vice president; Miss Anna Ward, Woonsocket, second vice president; Miss Marion Arnold, Providence, recording secretary; Miss Gertrude E. Robson, Providence, corresponding secretary.

Committee: Miss Bertha H. Lyman, Miss Anna E. Foster, executive committee; Miss Mary E. Robbins, Miss E. Upton, M. Manchester, Miss Eleanor S. Upton, committee on relations with the state board of education; Harry Kropman, South Weymouth, Mrs. William Congdon, committee to cooperate with the state board of education for the publication of the Library Bulletin.

The Rhode Island delegation to the democratic national convention has organized by the election of Colonel Patrick H. Quinn, chairman; Mrs. Robert E. Newton, vice chairman; Luigi Di Pasquale, secretary and Theodore Francis Greene, treasurer; Stephen J. Casey, Harva J. Lapage, committee on transportation. The delegation will leave Providence Sunday evening, June 20, and arrive in San Francisco Sunday, June 27.

The conditions are unchanged insofar as the resumption of work is concerned. In the stone cutters' vacation and the laborers' strike in Westerly. The strikers have had several consultations with contractors and both sides, but a settlement is no nearer now than at the beginning when the men quit work.

One of the men on strike declared Tuesday: "If I am ever at a meeting again where a vote is to be taken on a strike, I'll insist that the vote be by ballot and not by a standing vote, organizer or no organizer! Had the matter been decided by ballot, we would have been at work at the increased pay offered us. If men were not receiving a living wage, why would you take out your pen and paper and figure out how we can live without any pay for more than a month. I'd like to see the day when labor matters could be adjudged without any strike."

Mrs. Rose Tracy, 63, who died suddenly, in Stamford, Saturday, was a former resident of Pawtucket and had many friends on both sides of the Pawtucket river. Years ago Mrs. Tracy managed a large boarding house in Mechanic street, for the special accommodation of the female operatives employed in the mills. The body will be forwarded to Michigan for burial, where a sister of Mrs. Tracy resides.

Shortly after his marriage, last December, Angelo Murano left town and failed to provide for his wife. A warrant was issued for his arrest. He was taken into custody in High street Tuesday morning by Chief Brown and delivered to Deputy Sheriff Casey at the state line. He is charged with non-support for divorce and the papers are returnable to the superior court for Washington county this Tuesday in September.

Local Laocess
At a meeting of Merrill Post, American Legion, plans were completed for the Salvation Army financial campaign. A beautiful silk fan was presented the post by the Woman's Relief Corps of the Grand Army of the Republic.

That old house at the White schoolhouse corner, that gave the place the name the "Dash to Death" and has been drained by motorists, is being raised. Lester E. Gavitt of Westerly, a student at Brown university, has passed the Connecticut examination for three months.

Dr. John Risist, a graduate of Westerly High school and Tufts college who has been engaged in hospital work in New York since his discharge from the army after serving as captain in the Army medical corps, in France, is to locate in Westerly.

Mr. and Mrs. Merton T. Webster have returned from Florida where they spent the winter.

STONINGTON

The time limit for taxpayers to pay their tribute to the town and escape the added nine per cent. has passed. To date Collector William H. Casey has collected \$118,000, which is much above the average since Stonington ceased to be the richest town in the state based on population.

Stonington Pointers

The members of J. F. Trumbull, Woman's Relief Corps, are rendering substantial assistance in the campaign to raise \$1500 for the Salvation Army. The Stonington Mirror building is receiving extensive repairs.

Last week's fish are being landed by local fishermen.

Antone Maux and family have moved to the Otis Sullivan house in Main street.

PUTNAM

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ment now spreading throughout the Putnam town, which has for its object the lowering of the present high price levels.

"A cut in retail prices is productive of immediate benefits to the consumer," Mr. Wolf said. "There need no longer be drawn out waits for prices to decline as the result of disturbed industrial conditions."

It is felt that reducing prices will be the same in effect as giving thousands of buyers an advance in their salaries—because their dollars will go farther. Hence, all contending toward stabilizing conditions and quieting the feeling of unrest and discontent that is manifesting itself throughout the country.

The Hughes and Wolf announcement created the most widespread interest Tuesday throughout the city as well as in the surrounding towns.

That section of South Main street and Grove street that has so badly broken down under the very heavy traffic that is passing over it is going to be repaired in a manner that indicates that the improvement will be a real and quite permanent one.

Crushed stone is being placed over the worn road surface, and will be rolled in and covered, giving practically a new street surface when the work is completed.

George Baker, 55, who died in Waukegan, was well known in this city. His body is to be brought to Putnam Heights cemetery for burial.

District Deputy Edward Mullian, Arthur L. Duvert and Bernard McGarry have been elected as members of the Carroll council, K. of C., to attend the state convention of the organization, which has made remarkable gains in membership in Connecticut during the past twelve months.

Attorney Charles L. Torrey, member of the state board of education, was in Hartford Tuesday attending a meeting of the board.

In opening his speech recently at the democratic state convention in New Haven, Homer S. Cummings, chairman of the democratic national committee, pleasantly felicitated the gathering and then proceeded to point out some of the "old war horses of the party in Connecticut" whom he recognized in a conventional manner.

Among those he selected for listing in his honor roll was Anna Ross of this city, member of the state central committee for the 24th district and one of the most loyal of the party members in the state.

From many points in the immediate vicinity reports of an acute shortage of coal are coming. This shortage is so serious in some places as to cause difficulty in keeping up power for some of the big industrial concerns.

The coal shortage is reported to be due to constant strikes and labor disturbances, shorter working hours at the mines and other features of the wave of reform in industrial conditions now sweeping over the country and threatening to enmesh it in industrial disaster.

David Mathewson, who died a few days ago at the age of 70 at his home in Warrenville, was well known in this city as he was in a large part of this section of Windham county.

Every once in a while an automobile makes its appearance in this territory that attracts the attention of the automobile authorities. Inspector R. C. Young was making inquiries here Tuesday relative to an automobile that he found with all the maker's numbers chiseled off.

Effort continued during Tuesday to arouse the interest of Putnam people in the drive for \$5,000 for the Salvation Army Home Service fund. The Putnam district includes Putnam, Pomfret, Woodstock, and Thompson. Everyone is being appealed to for the boosting of this fund, and it is expected that American Legion members, who will attend a special meeting in Salvation Army hall this (Wednesday) evening will do much to make the drive a success.

Henry E. Davenport, who is the campaign manager, is working like a Trojan for the success of the movement.

It is evident that a considerable number of persons who own dogs within the limits of the town of Putnam have not taken the time to register them this season. After June 1 they will likely have visits from the dog warden, Nelson Clark.

Governor Holcomb's refusal to call a special session of the legislature that that body might pass on the ratification of the Sunn E. Anthony amendment to the constitution of the United States was a keen disappointment to the suffragists of this city and vicinity, but they have not lost hope that some other state will ratify in the near future and therefore give the women of the country a chance to vote in the present elections in the fall.

CENTRAL VILLAGE

Mr. and Mrs. George Keene of Providence have been spending a few days at the home of Mrs. Keene's daughter, Mrs. George Pettin.

Mrs. Peter Dennis returned Saturday from a few days' visit with friends in Worcester.

The Central Fire company held its bi-monthly meeting Friday evening.

The executive committee of the Central Improvement society held its important business meeting Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Corner Young and daughter Alice of Danielson were callers here Sunday.

Miss Susan Wilcox was at her home in Norwich Sunday.

Elmer Ryder has been in Danielson, the guest of his uncle, Walter Ryder.

The Christian Endeavor service will be held Friday evening by Miss Lois Steison. Leroy Greene visited relatives in Norwich Sunday.

Miss Alice Kendall of Norwich spent Sunday at Mrs. William Dean's.

Mrs. Raymond Rider and daughters, Eunice and Dorothy, spent Sunday at the home of Mrs. Rider's grandmother, Mrs. Henry Kilpatrick, at Poquoson Bridge.

Wilfred Lawson visited at the home of Wilbur Hall in Brooklyn Sunday.

The W. C. T. U. met Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. George R. Eileen.

Miss Ruth Mathewson has returned

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Albert Walker is recovering from injuries received when he fell at the Central worsted mill and crashed a rib.

Mrs. Robert Loring and daughter Mary were recent visitors in Norwich.

The teachers' training class will meet Thursday evening with Mrs. Avery McGair.

Mrs. William Carpenter has returned home after several months' stay with relatives in Massachusetts.

John Bradley is the afternoon gate-tender at the railroad crossing.

Mrs. Caleb Bishop of South Plainfield was a local visitor Friday.

Mrs. Louise Baker spent Saturday in Putnam with her sister, Miss Rose Baker.

Mrs. Arthur Fawcett and daughter Arleen of Westerly, R. I., have been visiting at the home of Mrs. Fawcett's father, William Elliott.

Archibald W. Buchanan of Mansfield Center, agent for the state board of education, made his weekly business visit Monday.

In the afternoon he had a court case in Milford. Chester Chiklinski, age 14, son of Mrs. Helen Chiklinski, was to have appeared before Judge Bradford W. Tappan to be committed to the Meriden school for boys, but the family left town Saturday to live in New York.

Stanley Zolock, age 13, son of Mrs. Victoria Zolock, appeared before Judge Danielson and was to be committed to the Meriden school for boys as he was incorrigible and a truant. He was placed on probation for one month, to report weekly, through his teacher, to Sheriff George B. Allen of this village.

EAST WOODSTOCK

A spelling contest will take place on Thursday evening at 7:30 o'clock at Academy hall. All school children in the town have been asked to take part. There will be music by the school children under the direction of Miss Burns, music supervisor.

The Chinese opera given by the students of Woodstock academy at Academy hall Friday evening, was a great success. Those taking part from East Woodstock were Doris Lindeman, Reg-

nald Pike and Milton Stone, soloists, and Edith Harris, Sylvia May, Annette May, Julia Swenson, Signe Anderson and Vernon Weibrecht, in the chorus.

Mr. Davis of Waterbury is visiting his daughters, Mrs. William Neely and Mrs. Clifford Farrow.

The thank offering meeting of the Missionary society was held in the chapel Wednesday afternoon and was well attended. Several from North Woodstock and Woodstock Hill were present.

Mrs. Henry Thayer, president of the Women's Congregational Home Missionary Union of Connecticut, gave her hearers a very interesting and instructive talk on a trip around the world.

Dr. and Mrs. Pike, Sarah Pike, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Danielson, Miss Eleanor Lincoln and Clara Eddy attended the speaking contest in Pomfret Tuesday evening.

A union meeting of all the churches in the interest of the interchurch world movement was held at North Woodstock Sunday evening. A large number was present from East Woodstock.

SOUTH WINDHAM

Many relatives and friends attended the funeral of Mrs. William L. Bell held at the local church on Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock. There were beautiful floral forms. Rev. Arthur W. Clifford conducted the services. The bearers were relatives. Burial was in Putnam cemetery, Franklin.

Percy Scribner left April 30 to enter the employ of the Buick Automobile company, Flint, Mich.

Allen Keller of Hartford recently spent a number of days with his aunt, Mrs. H. E. Card.

Miss Callista Beckus of Pomfret spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Beckus.

Mrs. W. C. Card has returned from attending the funeral of Mrs. Adams of Framingham, Mass.

Miss Maude Smith of Saybrook spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Garrett W. Smith.

Mrs. George Peck of Norwich spent Friday with her daughter, Mrs. Charles

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Mrs. Helen Tabbs has returned from attending the funeral of Mrs. Charles Lynch of Hartford.

John Rose of Boston has been spending several days with local friends.

Mr. and Mrs. George K. Putnam of East Hartford spent Friday with their cousin, Miss E. S. Babcock, and her brother, Jay Babcock.

Dr. and Mrs. V. Tyler Brown of Norwich, who recently returned from a southern trip, were callers Sunday, April 2, on Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Dell.

SOUTH KILLINGLY

Fred Shippee has moved from Sterling to the parsonage.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Phillips spent the week-end with Valley Falls relatives.

Mrs. Henry Adams is recovering from a severe cold.

There was an illustrated lecture and old-time sing in the church Friday even-

ing. Mrs. Fred Shippee spent Saturday with her sister, Mrs. John Potter, of Danielson.

Mr. and Mrs. Emil Deashey entertained Sunday their son Ernest and his family from New London.

Miss Upham of East Killingly was a week end guest at Henry Spaulding's.

Herbert Battey and family of Danielson were visitors with local friends Sunday.

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